

to bow their heads like a conquered province, and be despoiled of their property without redress? If the Union is to be preserved, there must be a cessation of these wrongs on the South. The Southern States, in reply to Mr. Hickman's remarks about the South violating compromises, and denied the charge. For forty years the South have remonstrated, time and again, and have all the time been yielding their constitutional rights. The Constitution was formed by Northern and Southern men. When it was signed, the former had the right to sell their slaves in the Southern States, and did so. The Southern men had a right to purchase those slaves of Northern men, and did so. Northern men took the money realized for slaves, and invested it in homes, lands, merchandise, and commerce. To this day they have that property and the profits on it, and yet turn round and denounce the South because they retain the property sold them by the North. At that time the ring of the case, was devised to their hearts by the clank of the bondsman's chains were oppressive to their consciences. If there be, in that burning lake where hissing serpents and fiery dragons torment the damned, a place more fiery than that, it should be reserved for those Northern fanatics who seek to scatter the fire of discord and dissension among brothers and friends, and with the torch of the incendiary in one hand and the dagger of the assassin in the other, would invade even the capital of the nation, and amid its fallen columns, exult in the desolation they had caused. Unless the North ceased invading the rights of the South, they would be prepared to meet them at the cannon's mouth. For the last forty years they had submitted to their things for the sake of the Union. Although snarling under ten thousand wrongs, there was not a man in his district whose heart would not bleed to-day to hear the krell of the Federal Union. They were for the Union with the Constitution, for unless that were preserved, the Union was worthless, and worse than worthless. It was time to talk plainly, and he wanted no more dodging, or subtleties. The North has raised a tempest it cannot control. It has overleaped the Constitution of the country, and the laws of the land. He doubted whether the regrets expressed on that side of the House for the Harper's Ferry massacre, and professed that the promises to the car would be broken of a God-fearing Union, law-abiding people, he entered his solemn protest against the ten thousand wrongs committed on the South. He charged the Republican party as being the cause of those dangers hanging over the country. He was no alarmist, no dissembler. For the Union he would peril his life; but if the shock must come, and if the fell calamity of disunion was upon them, he wanted to see his native South stand on the Constitution of his country, and like one man, stand up in defense of its rights.

A preliminary vote for Speaker, the House was called. The vote resulted:

Sherrin	96	Whiting	99
Sherrin	96	Whiting	99

Another vote was anxiously demanded.

Mr. WINSLOW suggested an adjournment till Wednesday.

Mr. GILMER withdrew his name as a candidate, and announced his thanks to his friends who had complimented him by their votes, and he felt in a no less degree complimented by the votes of gentlemen with whom he very much disagreed politically. He nominated Mr. Hoter, and thought from the indications and corresponding action on the Democratic side, that Mr. Hoter could be elected Speaker. [Applause.] The House again voted, with the following result:

Sherrin	111	Whiting	95
Sherrin	111	Whiting	95

Adjusted.

Notice was read from the Clerk's Desk of a Democratic caucus to-night in the Hall.

The Case of Mrs. Hartung, &c.
ALBANY, Friday, Dec. 16, 1859.
The Supreme Court today denied a new trial in the case of Mrs. Hartung, convicted of murder. She will be re-sentenced in January.

In the case of John Wilson, convicted for murder, a new trial was granted.

The Late Washington Irving.
BOSTON, Friday, Dec. 16, 1859.
The Massachusetts Historical Society held a special meeting last evening in reference to the death of Washington Irving, at which appropriate resolutions were adopted, and addresses made by Edward Everett and Prof. Longfellow.

Severe Storm.
HAINSBURY, Friday, Dec. 16, 1859.
The storm on the Cape, Wednesday night, was the most severe experienced for many years, causing much damage to the telegraph, connecting Boston with Highland Light, and intermediate stations on the Cape. Several hundred poles were blown down and the wires broken in numerous places by the accumulated weight of frozen sleet and snow. Large numbers of the telegraph poles were blown down, and the line will be in good working order by Monday next.

From New-Orleans, &c.
WASHINGTON, Friday, Dec. 16, 1859.
The New-Orleans Crescent of Tuesday says that 67 ships are loading there for Liverpool, 16 for Havre, and 16 for other foreign ports.

Sixty-four of the principal cotton buyers and brokers of New-Orleans have acquiesced in the resolution published in *The New-Orleans Crescent* of Nov. 16, and it will go into effect on Monday next.

Execution of a Murderer.
MONTREAL, Friday, Dec. 16, 1859.
Beauregard, who murdered Charbon at St. Hyacinth, last Spring, was hanged here at 10 o'clock this morning. The prisoner was attended on the scaffold by two Roman Catholic clergymen. He made no confession, showed no signs of trepidation, and appeared to die without a struggle. A great crowd witnessed the execution.

Capt. Farnham.
SAVANNAH, Ga., Thursday, Dec. 15, 1859.
Capt. Farnham arrived here from New-York this day, and is now lodged in jail.

Markets.
BOSTON, Dec. 16.—Wheat steady, but inactive; Howard 48 3/4, 49 3/4, 50 3/4, 51 3/4, 52 3/4, 53 3/4, 54 3/4, 55 3/4, 56 3/4, 57 3/4, 58 3/4, 59 3/4, 60 3/4, 61 3/4, 62 3/4, 63 3/4, 64 3/4, 65 3/4, 66 3/4, 67 3/4, 68 3/4, 69 3/4, 70 3/4, 71 3/4, 72 3/4, 73 3/4, 74 3/4, 75 3/4, 76 3/4, 77 3/4, 78 3/4, 79 3/4, 80 3/4, 81 3/4, 82 3/4, 83 3/4, 84 3/4, 85 3/4, 86 3/4, 87 3/4, 88 3/4, 89 3/4, 90 3/4, 91 3/4, 92 3/4, 93 3/4, 94 3/4, 95 3/4, 96 3/4, 97 3/4, 98 3/4, 99 3/4, 100 3/4, 101 3/4, 102 3/4, 103 3/4, 104 3/4, 105 3/4, 106 3/4, 107 3/4, 108 3/4, 109 3/4, 110 3/4, 111 3/4, 112 3/4, 113 3/4, 114 3/4, 115 3/4, 116 3/4, 117 3/4, 118 3/4, 119 3/4, 120 3/4, 121 3/4, 122 3/4, 123 3/4, 124 3/4, 125 3/4, 126 3/4, 127 3/4, 128 3/4, 129 3/4, 130 3/4, 131 3/4, 132 3/4, 133 3/4, 134 3/4, 135 3/4, 136 3/4, 137 3/4, 138 3/4, 139 3/4, 140 3/4, 141 3/4, 142 3/4, 143 3/4, 144 3/4, 145 3/4, 146 3/4, 147 3/4, 148 3/4, 149 3/4, 150 3/4, 151 3/4, 152 3/4, 153 3/4, 154 3/4, 155 3/4, 156 3/4, 157 3/4, 158 3/4, 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Official Vote of Minnesota.—The official vote of Minnesota has been declared by the Legislature, as follows:

Governor—Rumsey, R.	21,285	Congress—Alrich, R.	21,281
Becker, D.	17,582	Congress—Cannegill, D.	17,582
Majesty, D.	9,253	Congress—Graham, D.	17,417

Fair for the Woman and Child's Infirmary.—A very successful fair was opened yesterday in Dodworth's Hall, for the benefit of the Infirmary for Women and Children, founded by Elizabeth and Emily Blackwell. The hall was crowded, and the fair necessarily concluded last evening, as almost everything was sold out. During the evening Mr. S. B. Mills performed several pieces on the piano. In addition to a very large assortment of articles usual to fairs, a few fine pictures were hung along the wall, among them a remarkably perfect likeness of S. W. Francis, son of Dr. J. W. Francis.

Fair for Ralph Hays's Church.—It will be remembered that in June of last year a tempest destroyed an Episcopal church in Fifty-fourth street, between Second and Third avenues. The founder, the Rev. Ralph Hays, immediately set to work to rebuild it, and the ladies of his church yesterday opened a fair at No. 722 Broadway, in aid of the new building. The fair will continue for several days.

Another Veteran Gaze.—The last tribute of respect was yesterday afternoon paid to the remains of Jacob Van Tine by his late brothers in arms, the Veterans of the War of 1812. The old soldiers, under command of Col. Raymond, wore the usual badge of mourning, and assembled at the corner of Downing and Bedford streets, whence, after appropriate services, the funeral cortege took up its march, and the remains of the deceased Veteran were borne to their long home.

Niblo's.—The dramatic season closes at this house to-night, with a benefit to the manager, Mr. Eddy.

THE CHARLESTOWN EXECUTIONS.

GREAT INFLUX OF STRANGERS.

A GRAND MILITARY PARADE.

The Prisoners Preparing for Death.

ATTEMPTED ESCAPE OF COOK AND COPPIC.

THEIR DISCOVERY BY A SENTINEL.

CHARLESTOWN, Va., Friday, Dec. 16, 1859.

We have had an exciting time during the twenty-four hours which have just closed with the execution of four prisoners. In order to a correct understanding of what has transpired, I give you a succinct narrative of the events since yesterday morning.

ARRIVAL OF STRANGERS.

Throughout the day yesterday there was a great influx of strangers and citizens of the country, who were flocking in to witness the last act of the Harper's Ferry tragedy. The latter came thus early, fearing they might be detained at the post, as was the case on the day of the execution of Brown. The clouds which early in the morning darkened the horizon, were soon dispersed, and the sun came out in unusual brilliancy for a December morning. As the hours advanced, groups were seen on all the streets and corners discussing the all-absorbing topic of the approaching executions. The afternoon trains of cars from Winchester and Harper's Ferry brought large numbers of persons, including a delegation of newspaper reporters from the Northern cities. The vigilance at the depot on the arrival of the train was not so stringent as on the occasion of the execution of Brown, but little difficulty was experienced in getting into the town, although the difficulty was not so light in obtaining accommodations.

GRAND DRESS PARADE.

Shortly after the arrival of the train in the afternoon, a grand dress parade of all the companies in attendance took place. The spot selected for the parade was the immense field in which Brown was executed, and on which the gallows for the execution of the remaining prisoners was being erected. The companies were drilled in four battalions. The whole was under the command of Col. Weisberger of the Petersburg Regiment, Lieut. Israel Green of the United States Marines acting as Adjutant. The troops went through their evolutions with great skill, and were reviewed by Gen. Taliaferro, who was on the ground in full dress, mounted on a spirited charger. Everything conspired to make the display a grand one. The bright bayonets and uniforms of the soldiers combined to perfect the picture. A very large crowd was in attendance, among whom was a large number of ladies, who occupied their handsome equipages to the east of the line. During the time of parade, a handsome company of horse entered the town. They came from Middlebury, London County, and are under command of Capt. Carter.

THE PRISONERS YESTERDAY.

The prisoners were visited yesterday afternoon by the Rev. Mr. Nisbett, the Rev. Mr. Dutton, and the Rev. Mr. North